



Nicaragua 2004

Technical Information

<i>Country</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Size of Sample</i>	<i>Weighted/Unweighted</i>
Nicaragua	2004	1430	Unweighted

This study was carried out in 2004 as part of the Central America, Mexico and Colombia project of LAPOP (Latin American Public Opinion Project). It was carried out by Luis Serra Vázquez and Pedro López Ruiz, from Universidad Centroamericana (UCA), with the financial support of USAID.

The sampling method was of the probabilistic, stratified, clustered, multi-stage type, with a random selection in all stages, including the final selection of people over the age of 16 (voting age in Nicaragua) to be interviewed within the household of the sample, reaching a total of 1,430 valid surveys of the initial target of 1,500. For the selection of the sample, 151 municipalities were used, broken down by urban and rural area of residence. The population data of the 1995 Population Census, updated to 2004 was also used. The final sample units consisted in clusters of 6 to 8 houses in urban areas and 10 to 12 houses in rural areas. The study makes it possible to obtain results valid at the national level by urban-rural area and by the three regions (North-Central, Pacific and Atlantic), but not valid at the departmental or municipal level.

The complete version of the report *The Political Culture of Democracy in Nicaragua, 2004* written by Luis Serra Vázquez, Pedro López Ruiz and Mitchell A. Seligson, can be found in the LAPOP website, in both its English and Spanish version, along with the complete questionnaire. See www.lapopsurveys.org